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AMENDMENT & RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
MAILED JULY 24, 2008

Dear Commissioner:

This paper is being submitted in reply to the Office Action mailed July 24, 2008, for which the three-month date for response is October 24, 2008. In response thereto, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to consider the following remarks.

The Applicant's **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

The Applicant's **Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.